

North Smithfield Fire/Rescue Service, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

August 12, 2014

Called to order at 6:25 p.m.

Roll call of Voting Members:

Chairman: Paul Shatraw

Vice Chair: Paul Lefebvre (absent)

Treasurer: Daniel O'Brien (absent)

Secretary: Brian VanHouwe

At-large: Pamela LaBarre, Kathleen Shatraw (absent), Kenneth Thompson

Non-voting member: Chief Joel Jillson

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the July meeting as emailed accepted with a motion by Mrs. LaBarre, seconded by Mr. VanHouwe. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: None

Bills: (see attached). Chief Jillson explained that the expenses for generator included startup of service contract and resulting first time repairs. Mr. VanHouwe motioned to approve the payment of bills,

seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications: Thank you notes received from two scholarship recipients.

Fleet:

Chief Jillson: Good shape. New Rescue Committee viewed Chatham, MA model today.

Facilities:

Chief Jillson:

1/ Large oak tree close to Station 1 is rotted and full of carpenter ants. Stanley Tree Service to remove tree and grind stump.

2/ Cellulose insulation will be blown into front section of roof above where ice dams occur. Greenville Insulation at a cost of \$1000.00.

Old Business:

1. Arbitration hearing decision to be discussed under Executive Session.

2. TriTech CAD and Records Management system up and running August 1st. Kudos to ITT Labarre and the Deputy Chief for the outstanding effort in coordinating and facilitating the installation and training. Chief Jillson is “terribly pleased” that the project came in at \$22,000 as quoted and we now have a state-of-the-art dispatch system.

3. New Car 1 being prepped at I.M.P. and should be in service by end

of August. Mr. VanHouwe asked what is to become of old car and that possible E.M.A. could use it. Chief Jillson doesn't believe it to be very reliable with 200,000+ miles.

New Business:

From Chief Jillson:

- 1. Should schedule meeting in August with standing Town Budget Committee to prepare for new contract.**
- 2. Insurance Service Organization (I.S.O) sent data request survey prior to their arriving in Town for inspection (last rating was in 2001 before merge).**
- 3. Invoice received for service contract with Claim Strategies. Discussion followed about the process for job-related injuries and the efficacy of this service. Motion made by Mr. VanHouwe to pay for this year and seek alternative methods in the future. Following more discussion, the motion was amended to having Chief Jillson inquire what the cost would be on a case-by-case basis. The motion was seconded by Mrs. LaBarre, voted and passed unanimously.**
- 4. Motion made by Mrs. LaBarre to donate \$100 via GoFund.com to Coventry Police Officer's son and family (see packet), seconded by Mr. VanHouwe. The motion voted/passed unanimously. Mr. Thompson questioned what the policy is for charitable donations, upon which the Board of Directors agreed that each request is looked at on its merit and if it's local and/or fire/rescue related.**
- 5. There is a possibility for a cell tower at Station 1 (see packet).**

Personnel: Referred to Executive Session.

Motion made by Mrs. LaBarre to move to Executive Session at 7:08 p.m., seconded by Mr. VanHouwe. Voted/Passed

The next meeting is scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, September 9th, 2014.

Motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. by Mr. VanHouwe, 2nd by Mr. Thompson. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed)

Rose Zariczny

(Note: any "attachments" can be viewed by request during normal business hours in the Office of the Chief, 1470 Providence Pike, North Smithfield, RI)